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# NFYT

## National Festival of Youth Theatre

### Information Pack



Friday 13 July – Monday 16 July 2012

Roths Halls, Glenrothes, Fife

*"Thank you for the best weekend ever! It was so inspiring  
and amazing to meet people who are just like me."*

**– NFYT 2011 Youth Participant –**

## WELCOME TO NFYT 2012!

NFYT is a vibrant celebration of the creativity and diversity of our youth theatre sector. It is the largest open platform for youth theatre performances anywhere in the UK.

The Festival offers young people aged 14-25 the chance to take part in an invigorating and challenging weekend of theatre-based activities. With an emphasis on inclusion and teamwork, NFYT brings together young people from diverse social and cultural backgrounds, removing barriers and providing positive experiences and valuable life skills.

In addition to an eclectic performance programme, NFYT delivers a didactic series of artistic workshops which in previous years has included; acting, directing, playwriting, stage combat, beatboxing, prop-making, magic and dance. Opportunities will also be created for participants to meet and bond with new friends during NFYT social events.

## PARTICIPATE!

With participation, collaboration and education at its core, NFYT welcomes **ALL** youth theatre groups to join us for the largest and liveliest festival yet!

While groups are invited to propose a show as part of the NFYT performance programme, please remember that you don't *have* to perform in order to attend the Festival. NFYT always welcomes non-performing groups who choose to enjoy all that the Festival has to offer without the pressure of staging a show.

## \*NEW\* FOR 2012

- ✓ **Extended 4-DAY Festival Programme**
- ✓ **Redesigned, more intimate layout for main stage performance space**
- ✓ **Exclusive NEW CAMPSITE in stunning countryside at Falkland Estate, only 7 miles from the NFYT venue!**
- ✓ **NFYT WRAP PARTY to close the Festival on Sunday 15 July**
- ✓ **The chance for young people from participating to create the 2012 Performance Programme by VOTING for the shows they most want to see hit the NFYT stage!**
- ✓ **BOOK NOW, PAY LATER! This year groups will only pay a 10% deposit on booking, then nothing until after NFYT.**

## TICKETS

### ALL-INCLUSIVE RESIDENTIAL TICKET: **£100**

**\*BUY 10 PLACES GET 1 FREE\***  
On all bookings made before 16 March 2012

- ✓ **3 NIGHTS CAMPING:** at Falkland Estate
- ✓ **ALL TRANSPORT:** between campsite and NFYT venue
- ✓ **8 MEALS:** 3 x breakfast, 2 x lunch, 3 x dinner
- ✓ **FULL NFYT 2012 FESTIVAL PASS:**  
Full entry to the NFYT performance programme.  
Full participation in the NFYT workshop programme.  
Access-all-areas entry to the NFYT Wrap Party.

### ALL-INCLUSIVE NON-RESIDENTIAL TICKET: **£75**

**\*BUY 10 PLACES GET 1 FREE\***  
On all bookings made before 16 March 2012

- ✓ **5 MEALS:** 2 x lunch, 3 x dinner
- ✓ **FULL NFYT 2012 FESTIVAL PASS:**  
Full entry to the NFYT performance programme.  
Full participation in the NFYT workshop programme.  
Access-all-areas entry to the NFYT Wrap Party.

## PAYMENT

- A 10% non-refundable deposit must be paid at the time of booking.
- You will only be invoiced for the balance of your total booking **AFTER** NFYT (payable within 30 working days).
- Early-bird discount for all bookings made before 16 March 2012: 1 FREE adult place per 10 places booked.
- We are happy to discuss alternative payment plans if necessary (e.g. payment in instalments).
- Please note that booking cancellations made **after 13 JUNE 2011** will be liable for 100% of the total booking fee.

## PERFORMANCES

The ethos at the heart of NFYT is to offer any youth theatre group, regardless of experience or critical acclaim, the opportunity to showcase their recent work to a hugely supportive peer and public audience. NFYT is **YOUR** festival and for 2012 we want to involve **YOU**, the participating groups, in influencing the performance programme by voting for the shows you most want to see hit the NFYT stage!

All groups interested in performing are invited to complete and submit the enclosed Performance Proposal Form no later than **16 March 2012**.

NFYT aims to demonstrate and celebrate the diversity of Scottish culture with a broad representation of youth theatre work from across the country. In addition, the 2012 programme will endeavour to present work of notable quality and encourage creative intercultural exchange with guest performances from outside Scotland.

The **performance selection process** for NFYT 2012 is as follows:

**Groups submit Booking Form, 10% payment deposit and Performance Proposal no later than 16 MARCH 2012**



**A selection list of performances will be sent to participating group leaders by email**



**NFYT participating groups VOTE online for the shows they would like to see performed**



**Groups will be contacted individually with the results no later than 10 APRIL 2012**



**A list of performing groups will be publicly announced!**

## NFYT 2012 BOOKING PROCESS

Please make a note of the following dates for your diary.

We would greatly appreciate your co-operation in adhering to these strict deadlines:

DEADLINE (2012)	WHAT TO DO	WHO
16 March	Submit your <b>Booking Form</b> and 10% non-refundable deposit	ALL GROUPS
16 March	Submit a <b>Performance Proposal Form</b>	Groups wishing to perform
21 March	Promote YT will send out a performance selection list BY EMAIL	To all groups
1 April	Your young people vote for their preferred performances ONLINE	ALL GROUPS
10 April	Performing groups announced	ALL GROUPS
From May	Plan tech requirements with NFYT Production Manager	Performing groups
4 May	Promote YT will send out Child Protection Guidelines and Group Details Forms	To all groups
1 June	Submit <b>Child Protection Agreement</b> and <b>Group Details Forms</b> BY EMAIL	ALL GROUPS
31 August	Pay balance of total booking fee	ALL GROUPS

## GROUPS WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS

NFYT is an inclusive and accessible event. If your groups has any additional or special needs which you would like to discuss please don't hesitate to contact us on **0131 538 0591** and we'll be more than happy to talk through how the Festival can work for you.

## NFYT DRAFT SCHEDULE

The following draft schedule offers an overview of the NFYT weekend events. You will receive full performance and workshop programmes with confirmed timings in advance of the event.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Timings and activities are subject to change.

DAY	APPROX. TIME	ACTIVITY
<b>FRI 13 JULY</b>	From 10am	Groups arrive at Falkland Estate campsite and register for NFYT.
	approx. 2pm	<b>WARM UP</b>
	approx. 2.30pm	Buses to Rothes Halls
	approx. 3pm – 10pm	A fun afternoon of WORKSHOPS and PERFORMANCES (dinner included)
	approx. 10pm	Buses to campsite
	until midnight	Campfire and socialising
<b>SAT 14 JULY</b>	approx. 8am	BREAKFAST
	approx. 9am	<b>WARM UP</b>
	approx. 9.30am	Buses to Rothes Halls
	approx. 10am – 10pm	An exciting day of WORKSHOPS and PERFORMANCES (lunch & dinner included)
	approx. 10pm	Buses to campsite
	until midnight	Socialising
<b>SUN 15 JULY</b>	approx. 8am	BREAKFAST
	approx. 9am	Buses to Rothes Halls
	approx. 10am – 9pm	A final day of WORKSHOPS and PERFORMANCES (lunch & dinner included)
	approx. 9pm	<b>NFYT 2012 WRAP PARTY!</b>
	midnight	Buses to campsite
<b>MON 16 JULY</b>	From approx 8.30am	BREAKFAST
	From approx. 9am	Pack up camp and head home!

## CAMPING

### Falkland Estate, Falkland, Fife, KY15 7AF



We are delighted to support NFYT 2012 with camping accommodation and breakfast at Falkland Estate, in partnership with the Big Tent Festival. Falkland Estate was a favourite royal hunting ground of the Stuart monarchs and home to Victorian leaders of rural and architectural style. It is situated 7 miles north of Glenrothes and is nowadays a place of thoughtful stewardship of land, nature and community.



NFYT 2012 will enjoy exclusive use of the Falkland Estate campsite which is served by water points and portable shower and toilet facilities. You will be sharing the campsite with the NFYT staff team which includes night wardens to ensure your safety and welfare.

**Falkland Estate campsite will be open to NFYT groups from 10am on FRIDAY 13 JULY for pitching tents.**

### Camping Equipment

There are no restrictions on what your group can bring to make your stay at Falkland Estate as comfortable as possible, however we highly recommend the following equipment as a minimum:

- ✓ **Enough robust, weather-proof tents to ensure your group are comfortably housed**
- ✓ **Sleeping bags and sleeping mats/airbeds**
- ✓ **Lighting** (for in and around the camp as well as torches for toilet visits during the night)
- ✓ **Warm clothing**

In order to help members of your group prepare for the weekend you will receive an **NFYT 2012 CAMPING ESSENTIALS CHECKLIST** in advance of the event.

### Campsite Rules

<b>1</b>	Falkland Estate Campsite and the NFYT are strictly alcohol, and drug-free zones.
<b>2</b>	All campsite buildings and tents are no-smoking areas.
<b>3</b>	The use of live flame of any description is prohibited outwith official campfires organised by Promote YT. This includes camping stoves, BBQ's, gas lanterns, candles, cigarette lighters and matches.
<b>4</b>	All noise outwith structured social activities must be kept to a minimum from midnight – 7.00am.
<b>5</b>	As there are only a limited number of showers available, not spending longer than necessary in the shower will ensure that as many people as possible can use them in the mornings and evenings.
<b>6</b>	All groups are responsible for removing all their equipment, clearing litter and ensuring that camping areas are left clean and undamaged. A charge of £50 will be issued if any follow-up cleaning or repair is required.

## Electricity

We regret that there is no access to electricity at the campsite. FREE phone/laptop charging is available at the Rothes Halls.

## Health & Safety

While you and your group's safety is of paramount concern to us whilst at Falkland Estate Campsite, the welfare of YOUR young people is the responsibility of YOUR nominated leader(s) over the entire duration of your stay. You must therefore:

1. **Ensure that the conduct of your young people and your staff is governed by a robust and up-to-date Child Protection Policy and Code of Conduct relevant to your organisation.**
2. **Keep an accurate attendance record in the case of the need to evacuate.**
3. **Ensure that the strict Falkland Estate policy of **NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS** is enforced, regardless of age.**

Promote YT Director - Colin Bradie is the nominated Child Protection Officer for NFYT 2012.

You can contact Colin at any point over the weekend on **07758 758053**.

In the unlikely event of an emergency please allow yourself and your group to be directed by the NFYT staff.

## Getting to Falkland Estate Campsite

### **BY CAR**

Falkland Estate (**KY15 7AF**) is located 7 miles north of Glenrothes, Fife.

Approximately:

1½ hours by car from Glasgow

1 hour by car from Edinburgh

30 mins by car from Perth

40 mins by car from Dundee

There is ample parking for cars, minibuses and coach drop off/pick up.

### **BY TRAIN**

#### **Coach Transfer from Ladybank Railway Station**

For groups arriving by train, we hope to be able to provide a FREE coach transfer from Ladybank Railway Station to Falkland Estate on **Friday 13 July** and a return transfer on **Monday 16 July**.

Please register your interest in this coach transfer in the tick box provided on your **NFYT BOOKING FORM**.

## TRANSPORT TO/FROM ROTHES HALLS

Festival buses will provide transport between Falkland Estate campsite and the NFYT venue, Rothes Halls. The cost of bus transfers is included in the NFYT booking fee and you will be issued with a bus schedule on registration.

## BOX OFFICE

Tickets to all NFYT performances will be on sale to the public through the Rothes Halls Box Office on **01592 611101** or online at [www.onfife.org.uk](http://www.onfife.org.uk) Please encourage friends, family and supporters to book tickets!

## CATERING

Your NFYT ticket price includes the following catering provision:

DAY	RESIDENTIAL			NON-RESIDENTIAL		
	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER
Friday 13 July	X	X	✓	X	X	✓
Saturday 14 July	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Sunday 15 July	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Monday 16 July	✓	X	X	X	X	X

Examples of the NFYT menus are as follows:

	WHERE	EXAMPLE MENUS
<b>BREAKFAST</b>	Campsite	Cereal, Toast, Hot Rolls, Organic Eggs, Porridge, Yoghurts, Fruit, Juice, Tea and Coffee
<b>LUNCH</b>	Rothes Halls	Sandwich, Crisps, Fruit, Juice
<b>DINNER</b>	Rothes Halls	Meat or Vegetable Hot Dish, Choice of Salads, Fresh Fruit

**PLEASE NOTE:** Any individual dietary requirements must be requested on your **GROUP DETAILS FORM**.

We regret that we are not able to provide for dietary requirements requested on the day of the event.

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